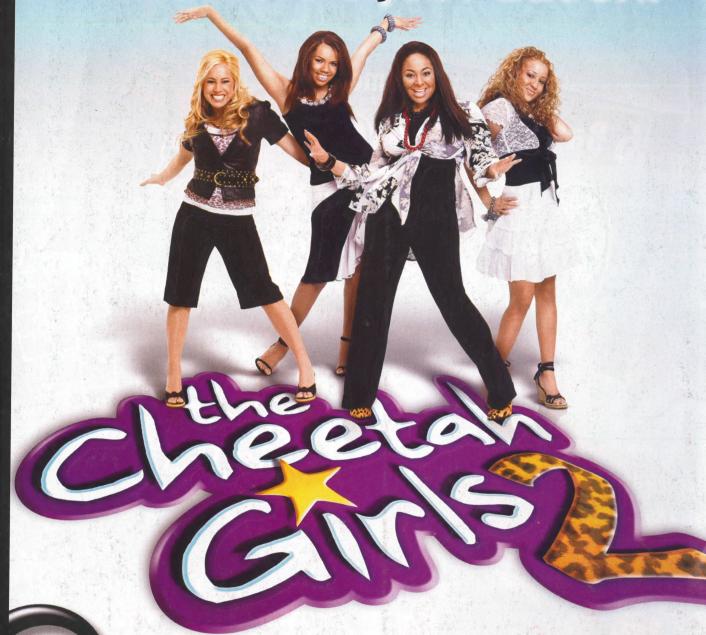
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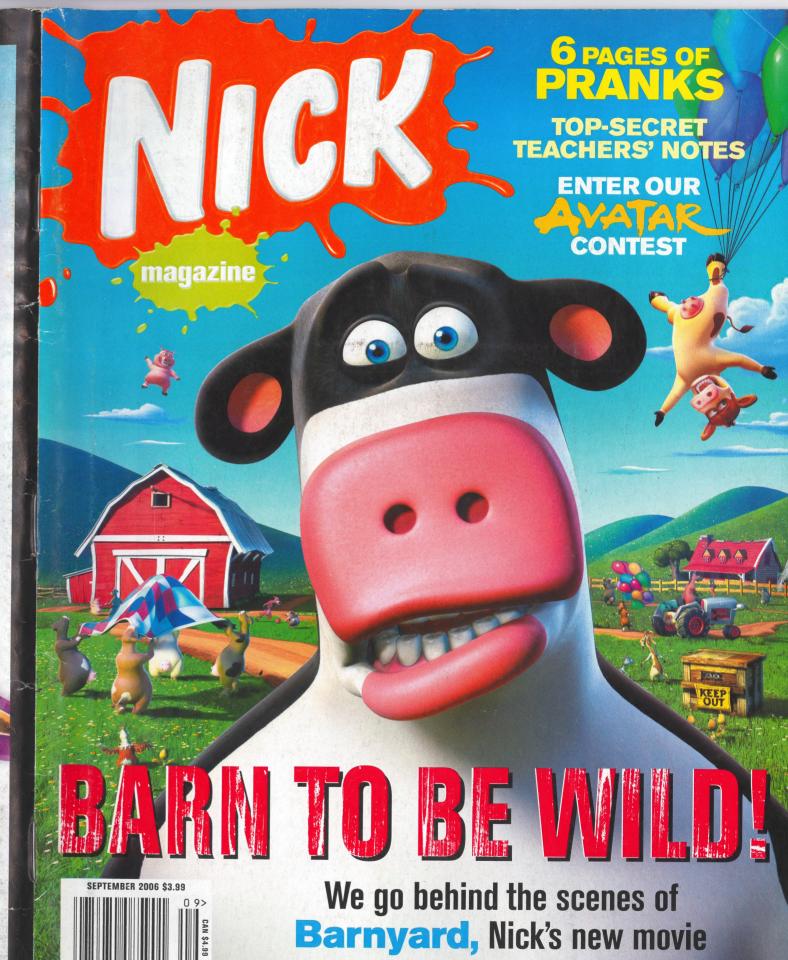


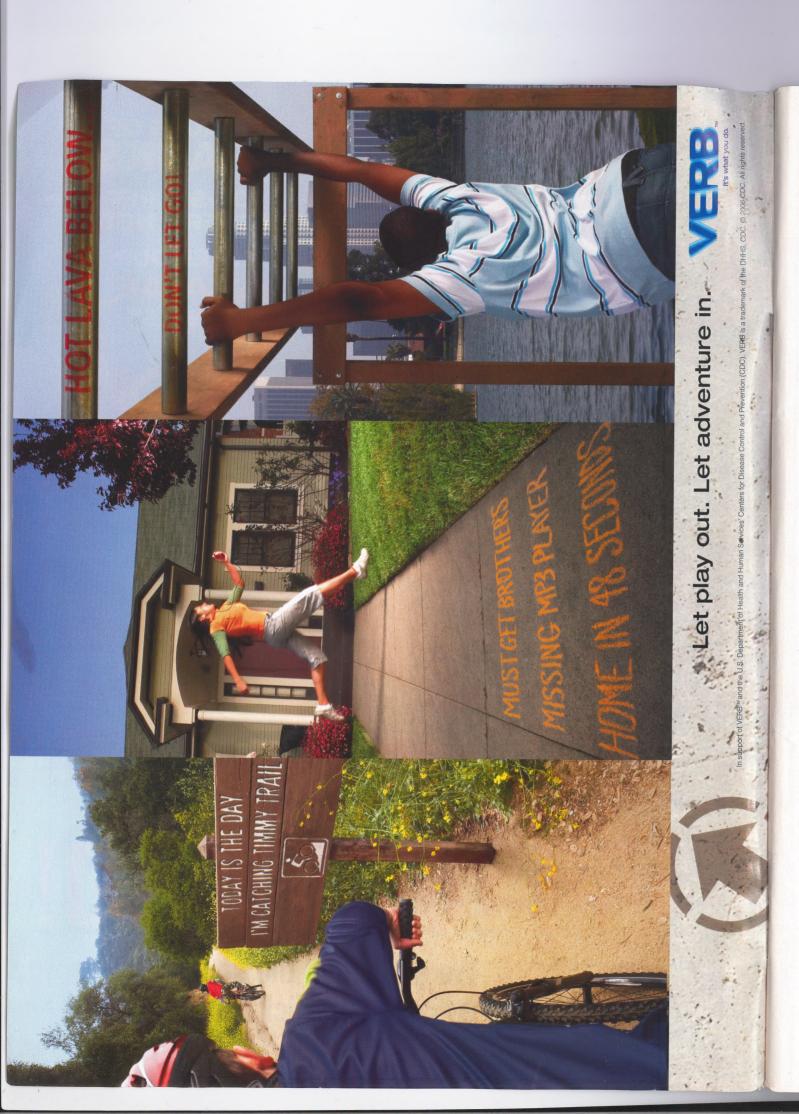
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- Hi, I'm Zelda Van Gutters, Nick Mag's ace roving reporter. I use my teeth and claws when our printers and copiers get jammed...which might explain why I'm covered with ink.
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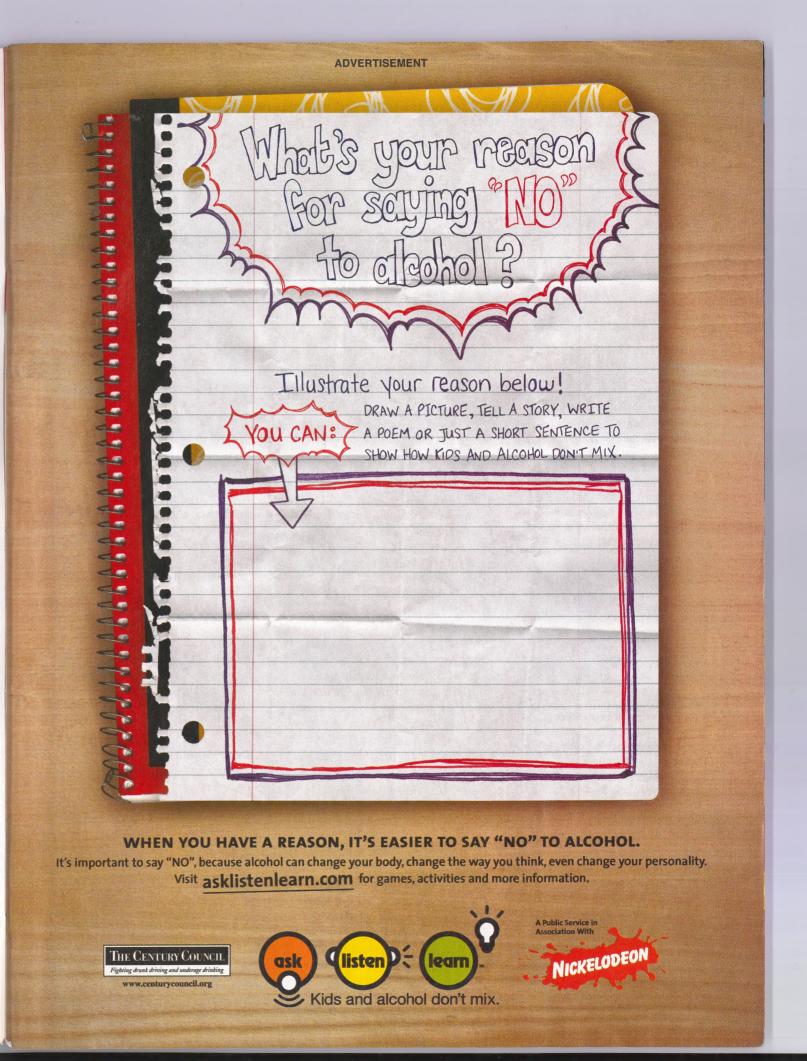
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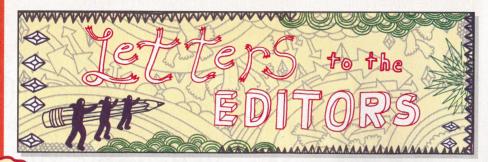
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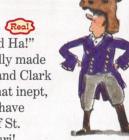
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Shorts & Briefs.
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was hilarious, but I wasn't sure if Lewis and Clark really said those things.

Dylan P., age 9
Plover, Wisconsin

Dear Dylan,

There was no on "Westward Ha!" so it was totally made up. If Lewis and Clark really were that inept, they'd never have made it out of St. Louis. Missouri!



Dear Nick Mag,

I gave the "Red-Water Shark Rafting Trip" flyer to my cousin, and she said that there was no way sharks could be "specially bred to survive in fresh water." I told her that Nick Mag could make anything possible. She disagrees, but to humor me, she said she'd go on this trip.

.....

Mary P., age 11 Stephentown, New York



Dear Mary,

Thanks for believing in us. But now we have to figure out how to specially breed sharks to survive in fresh water. There goes our vacation time!

About the June/July issue

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Dear Nick Mag,

In "A Quiz, Matey!"
you made a mistake
in the true/false
part. Captain
Barbossa says
he'll eat "a whole

bushel of apples," not "a whole barrel of apples."

Katie V., age 14 Vernon, Connecticut

Dear Katie,

You weren't alone in noticing that mistake. A lot of readers pointed that out to us. The good news is that there was only one mistake, because sometimes we make a whole *bushel* of them.

Dear Nick Mag,

I loved "Hooray for Hollywhoops!" After I read it, I saw all of the movies again, and you were right! I hope you'll put more of them in the magazine in the future.

.....

Virgilio Honduras

I use the paws button to find them.

Dear Virgilio,

We have two pages of movie bloopers every year in our Entertainment Issue (in June/July). As long as Hollywood keeps making mistakes, we'll be there to catch them!

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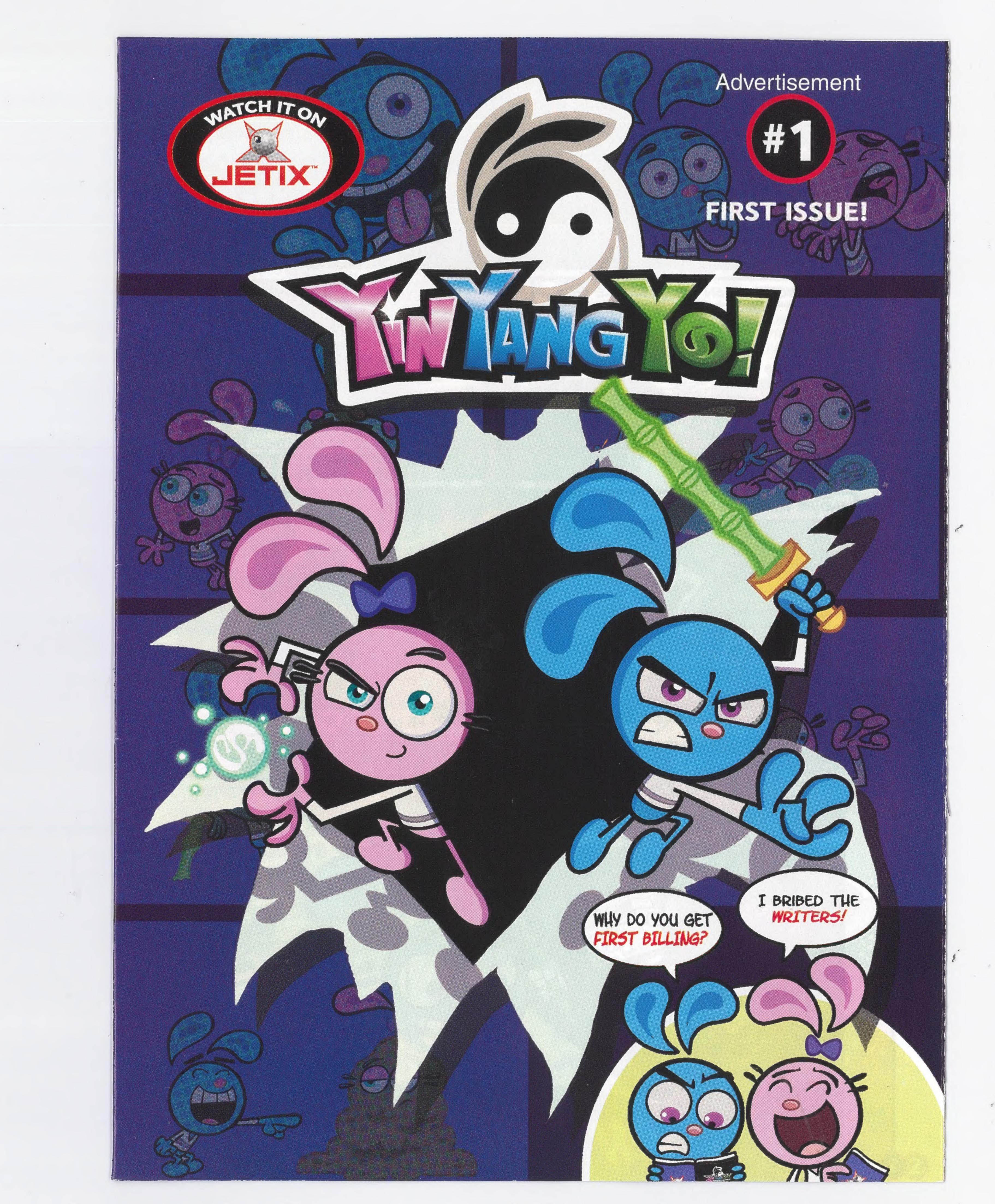
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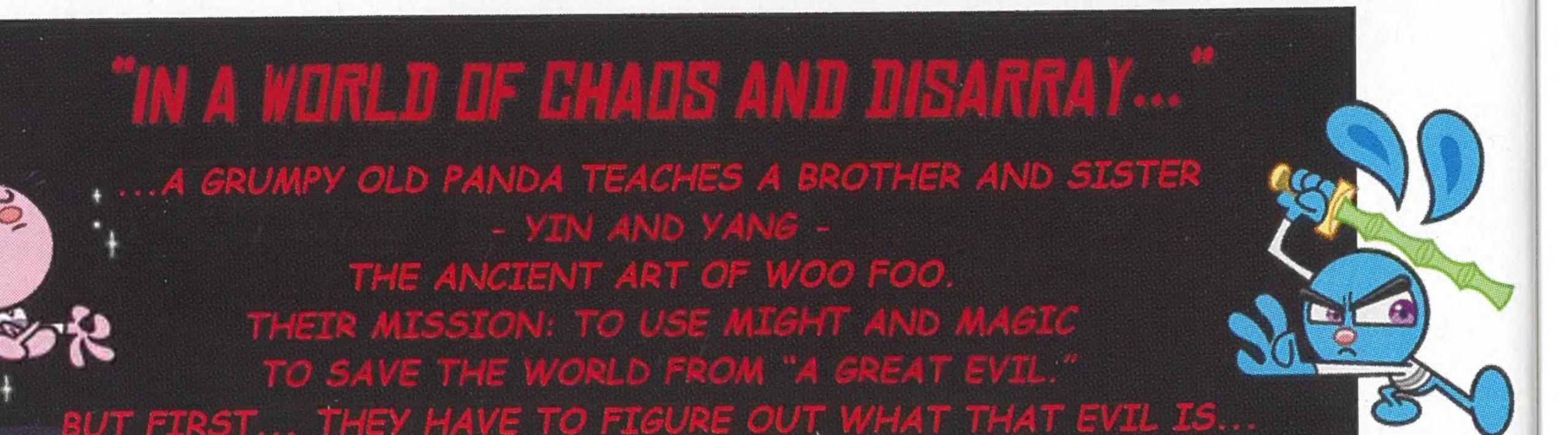
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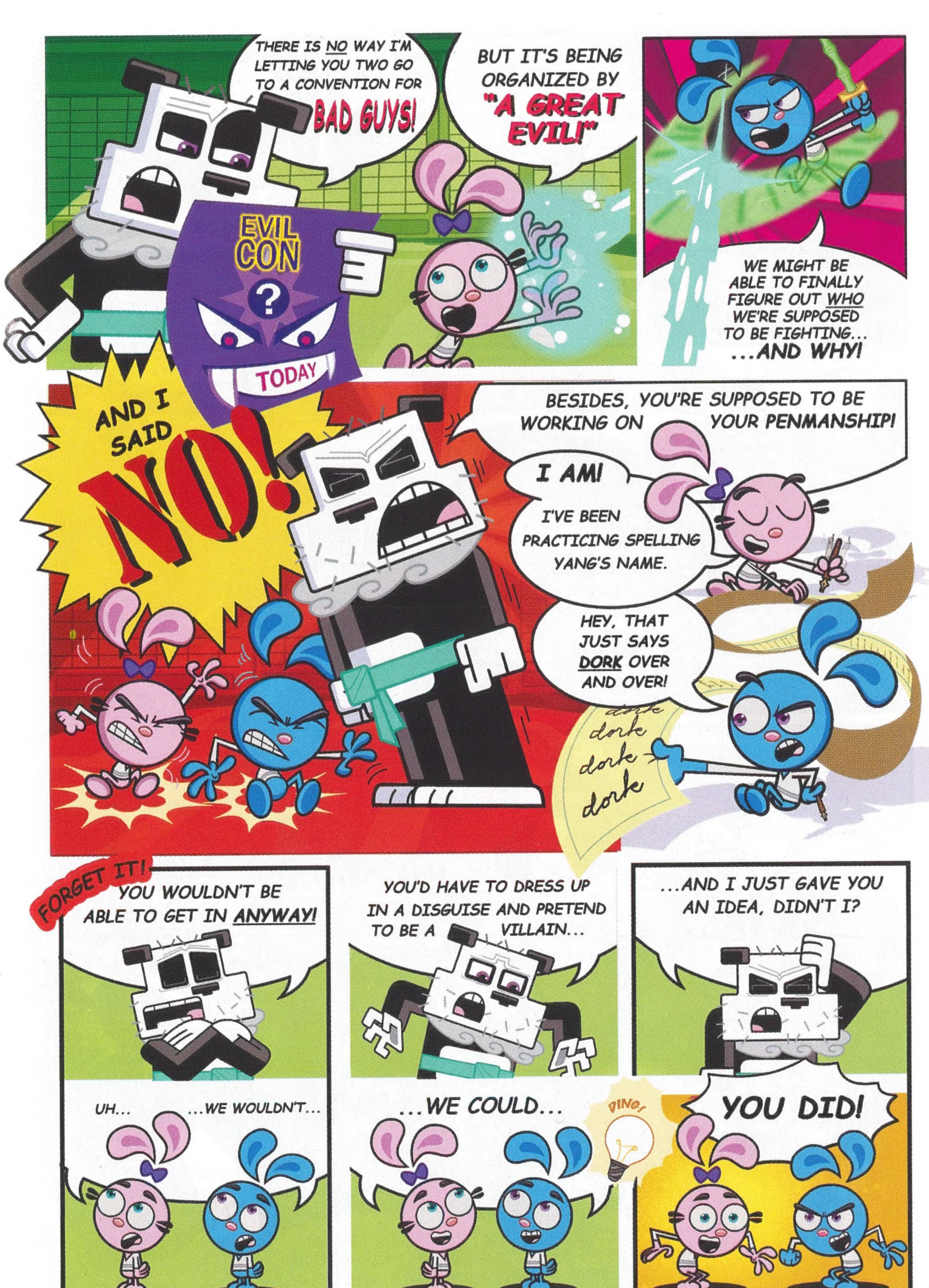


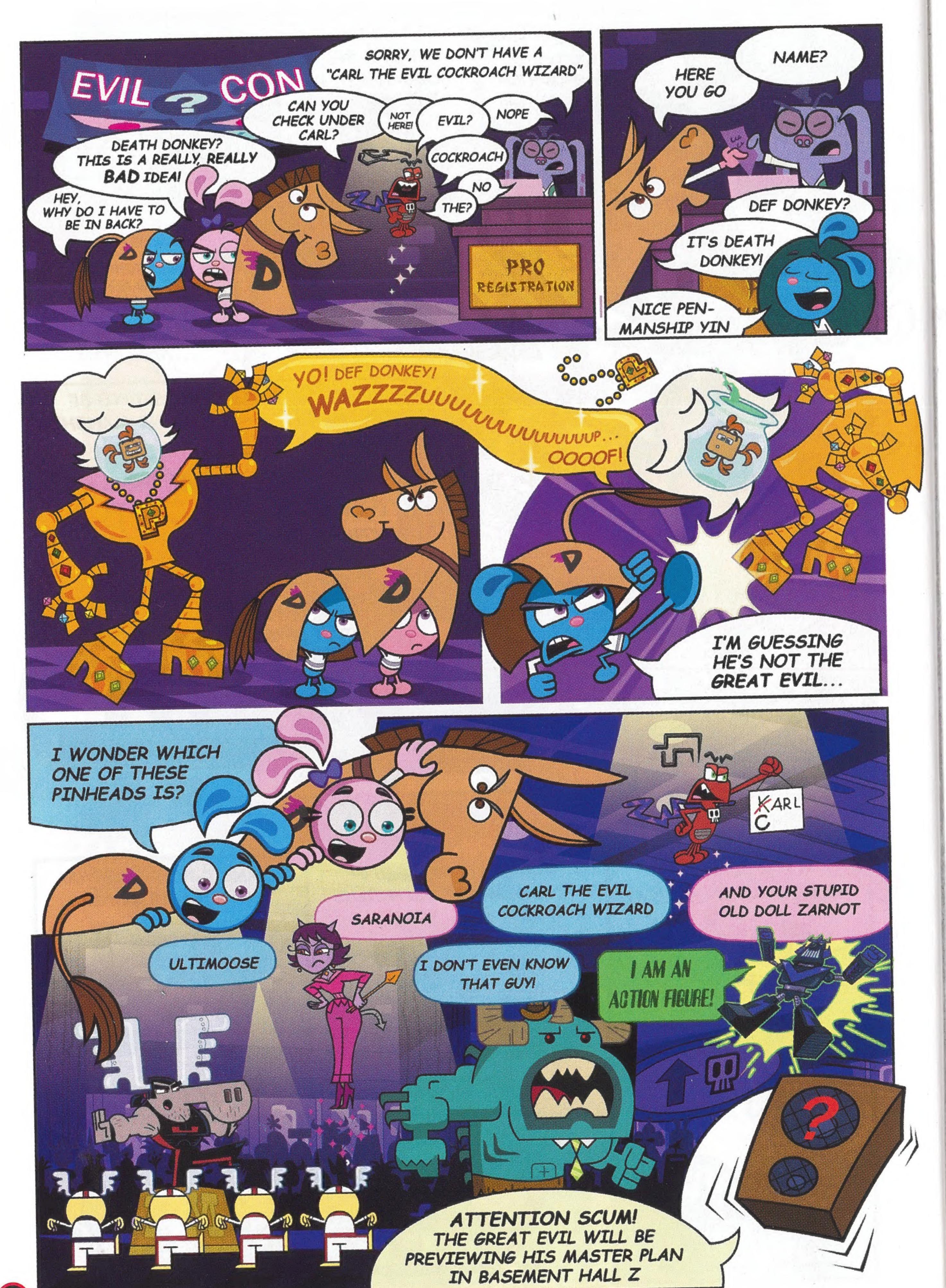


















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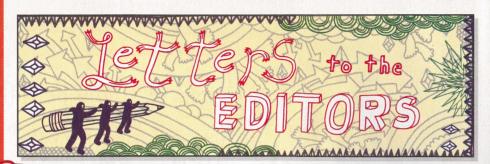
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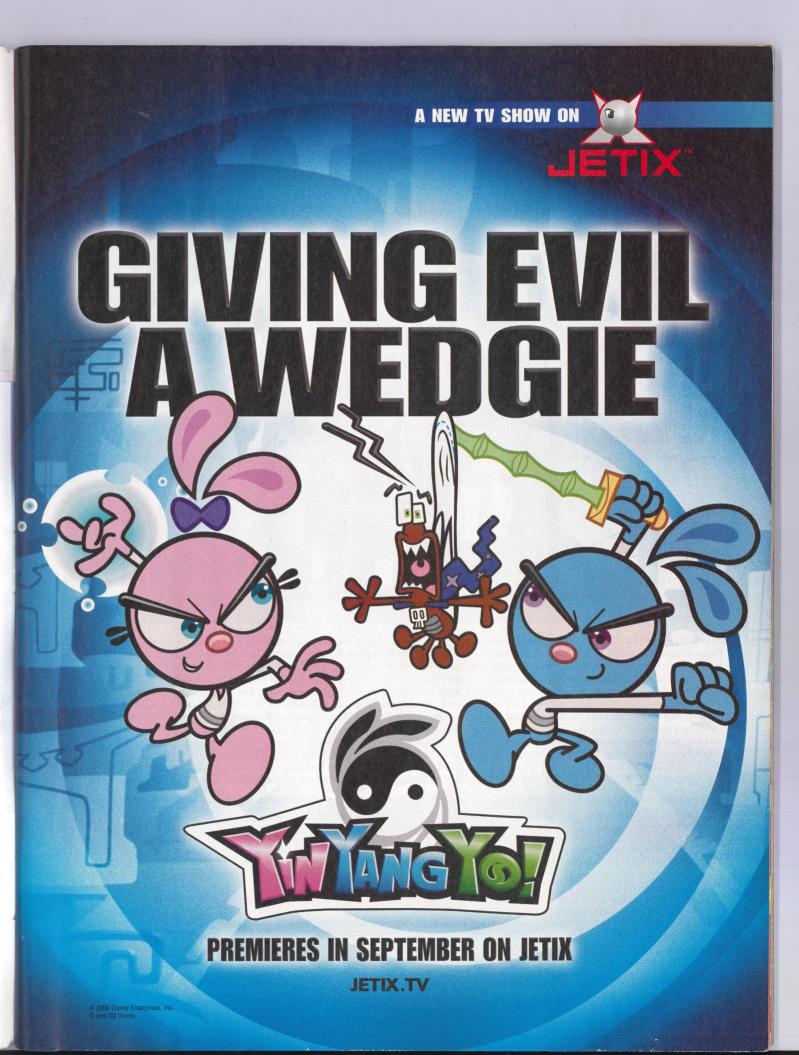
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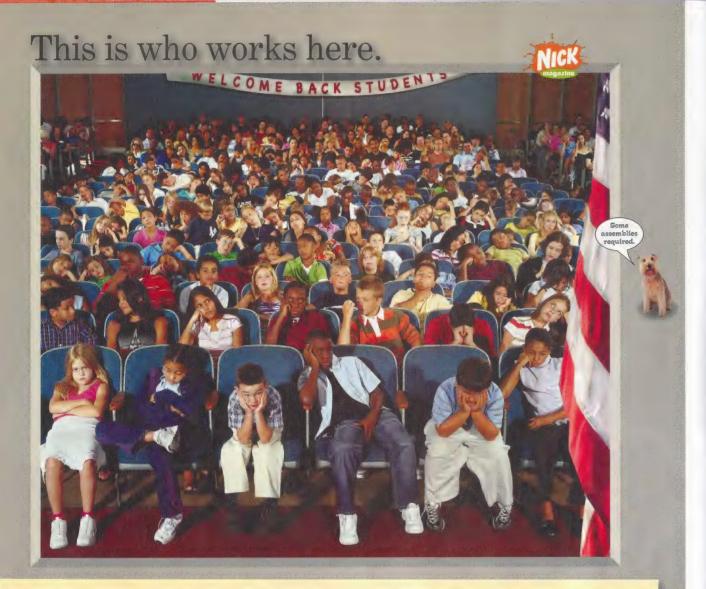
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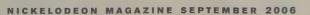
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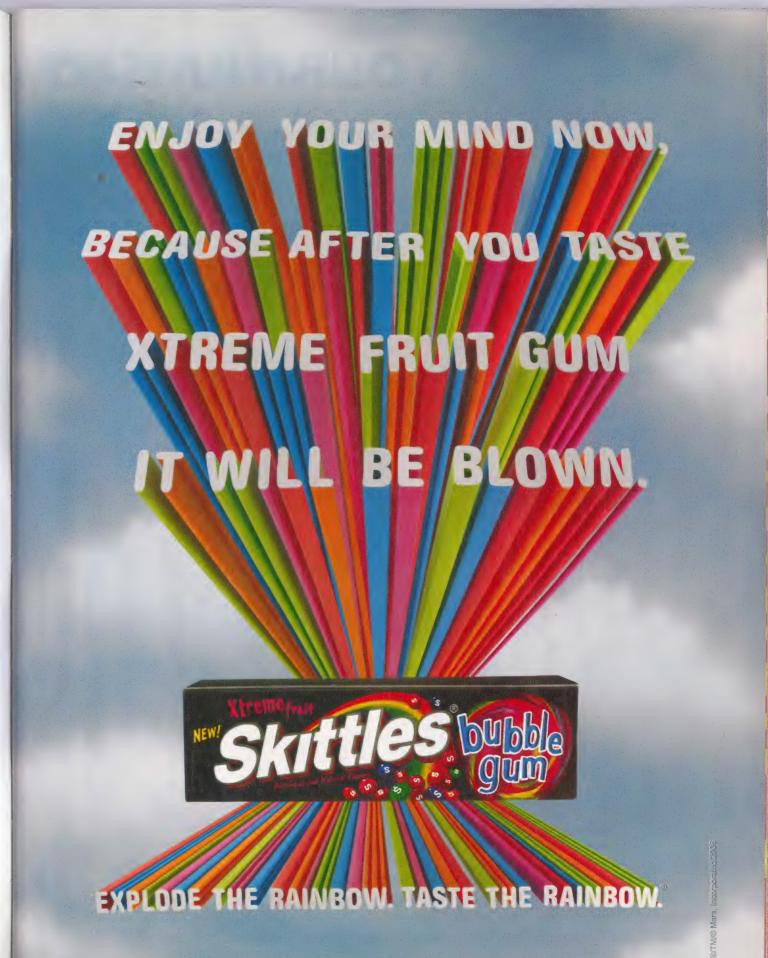
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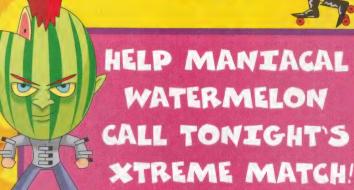
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Good evening, ladie	es and	This is going to		
be a(n) adjective	and adjective	match tonight! The		
wrestlers are now _				
the Green Apple jus	st W past-tense verb	ildmen Cherry.		
Looks like the match is on! Tangerine Terror rolled in				
and delivered a per	fect	to Black and Blue		
Raspberry. He came back with a hardto				
the Jimmy and Wildmen Cherry				
, and land on Tangerine and Black and Blue				
Raspberry. It's a ma	ssive pileup of _	! There		
is and _	all o			
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Was there a book you had to read for school that you ended up loving? I was assigned Lord of the Flies when I was twelve or thirteen, and I loved it.



actress and singer

What subject would you be good at teaching? I would love to teach a class in shopping.



What was your favorite subject English, because I enjoy reading and literature.

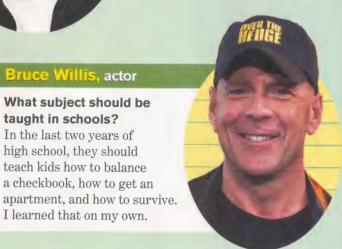


in school?

ames Marsden, actor

<mark>lindsay Lohar</mark> actress

What subject would you be good at teaching? I could teach anything I set my mind to. Maybe ethics.



This high school class president grew up to be one of the stars below. Can

Bruce Willis, actor

What subject should be

taught in schools?

In the last two years of

high school, they should

teach kids how to balance

I learned that on my own.

you guess which one?





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F1: Correct all of

my homework.

Perhaps you aren't using your computer to its full capacity.

Here are the functions of some keys on your keyboard that the computer companies haven't told you about.



and cannot be trained.

Wake me up in 10 minutes.

• Amanda on All Mu

end it with Chad.

Children should totally

• Batteries will wear

out if you push the buttons on the remote control more than

10,000 times a day.

person napping.

A body at rest tends

to stay at rest, especially

when it is the body of a

• Just because a person

Idol does not make it so.

dreams all day about

winning on American

F7: Start your engines Grow mustache.

Dust bunnies are not true members of the animal kingdom

• Beyoncé will most likely not return your phone calls.

•

Some people are skeptical about homeschooling. Here's what ... they think homeschooled kids are learning all day long.

Boiled kidny wit livr sauce 4 dinnr 2nite, luv, mom.

> FYI, pop quiz in science. OMG, RU ready?

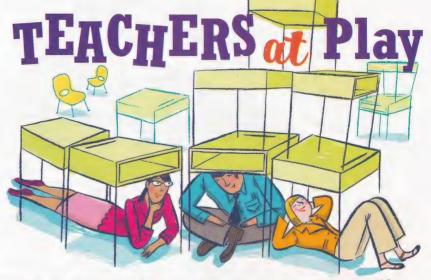
Cnt stop farting. Sorry u have to sit nxt 2 me in class. LOL.

BTW. I 8 the last M&M. JK. Not. L8R!

Getting text messages is pretty cool, unless they are messages like these.

Gr8 bugar in yr nose 2day @ school!





Our network of undercover students spent a year researching the secret lives of teachers. Some of their shocking findings are listed below. by Susan M. Clarke

- ✓ After a long day, teachers like to pull desks together into forts and get under them.
- No, that's not the same pair of pants as yesterday. Teachers have several pairs that look exactly the same.
- **✓** Sometimes when it looks like teachers are grading papers with the calculator on their cell phone, they are really texting friends.
- The teachers' lounge turns into a raging club during the summer.
- Teachers can sleep standing up with eyes open, just like horses.
- **✓** You're not the only one who noticed that the school floors would be perfect for skateboarding...and teachers have 24-hour access to the building!
- When they were in school, they didn't get all As, either.



F13: On second thought, hold the cheese.

F14







door next to desk













F9: Travel back in time.





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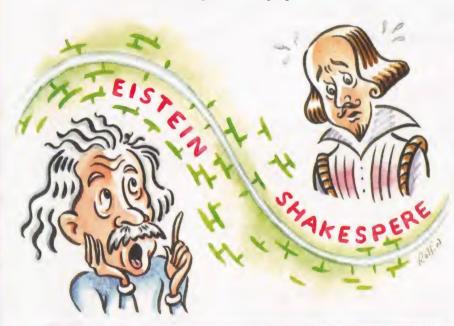
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Some things are written to be funny on purpose. Other things that make it into print, like the ones in this story, are funny by accident.



Maybe She Should Have Gone Inside the Library First

n 2004, the town of Livermore, California, hired an artist to decorate its new, state-of-the-art library. Maria Alquilar created La large mosaic for the building's entrance featuring the names and faces of some of the greatest artists, authors, and scholars in history. The 16-foot-wide ceramic mural included Albert Einstein. Michelangelo, William Shakespeare, and Vincent van Gogh—and all of their names were misspelled. In total, Maria had written the names of 11 of the world's most famous people incorrectly. Unfortunately, the mistakes were not caught before she had cemented all of the tiles in place. After a big outcry in town, Maria eventually made new tiles for the messed-up names and replaced them last year.



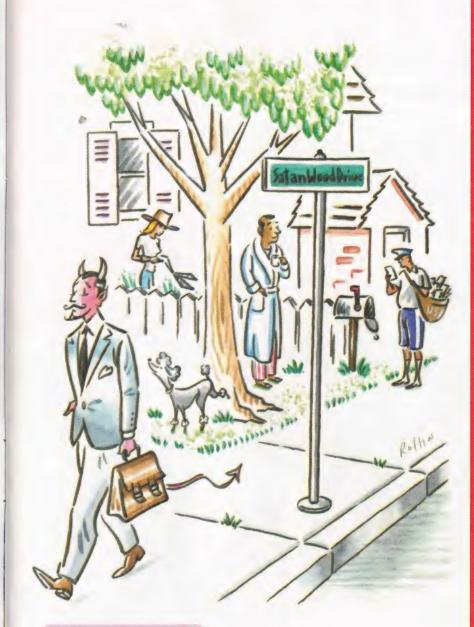
Norway Off Target

n elite unit in the Italian army was invited to participate in special military training in Kristiansand, Norway, in May 2000. The group of 116 soldiers, wearing their field packs, camouflage uniforms, and weapons, left Italy by plane and, a short time later, stormed onto the tarmac in Kristianstad. Sweden—about two letters and 250 miles off target. Someone had read the map incorrectly and guided the aircraft not just to the wrong town, but to an entirely different country. The Italian troops didn't even realize their goof until a Swedish official at the airport pointed out their mistake.

Lost in Translation

🔰 etting a tattoo in Chinese or Japanese has become popular in recent years. Last year, Shad Magness of Orange, California, got two Chinese words tattooed on his forearm that he thought said "one love," in honor of the birth of his son. Six months later, however, a Chinese-speaking cashier at Staples asked him why his arm said "love hurts."

Shad didn't know it, but he was the victim of another popular trend—bad translations in Asian tattoos. They can happen when neither the tattoo artist nor the customerknows the language. Not even famous people are safe. Britney Spears believed the word on her hip said "mysterious" in Chinese, but it actually means "strange." And basketball player Marquis Daniels of the Dallas Mavericks thought he had his initials, MAD, tattooed on his arm in Chinese, but it actually says "healthy woman roof."



A Wicked Mistake

he construction plans for a new street in Columbia, Maryland, said it was supposed to be called Satin Wood Drive. When a new L county map was drawn, however, the road's name was misspelled as Satan Wood Drive—and that's how the street signs were made. For 30 years, the residents of Satan Wood Drive had a devil of a time with people making fun of their address. A priest—one of three ministers on the street—even got a call from his church's headquarters because the officials couldn't believe the name was real.

The neighbors had tried to change their street's name over the years but could never meet all of the requirements demanded by the town, including collecting signatures and raising money. Then, last year, a new resident decided to tackle the problem. In a matter of months, the devil was finally driven out and the street was renamed Satinwood Drive.

Every year, Michigan Lawsuit Abuse Watch, an organization that keeps track of silly lawsuits, gives out awards to the stupidest warning labels found on products. Here are some of the winning labels from the past nine years.

ON A WHEELBARROW: "Not intended for highway use.'



ON A BAKING PAN: "Ovenware will get hot when used in oven." ON A CARPENTER'S DRILL: "Do

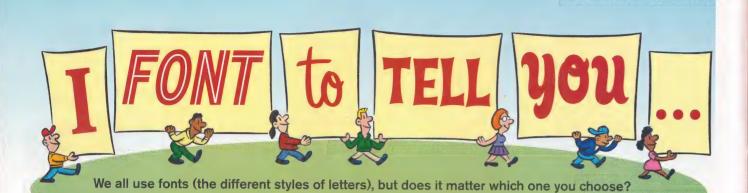




ON AN IRON: "Never iron clothes while they are being worn."

ON SHIN GUARDS: "Shin pads cannot protect any part of the body they do not cover."





Let's say you're typing up a note to tell someone that you dislike him or her. But you want to do it with some class. A message like this

Fonts may seem unimportant, but using the right one can make a big difference in giving the right impression.

I HATE YOUR GUTS, YOU SMELLY PIG!

is very clear-but the font (called Caveman) makes it too clear, too likely to earn you a bloody nose. The message seems more polite in the font Künstler Script:

I hate your guts, you smelly pig!

Now you're showing some style! The person you give it to may even take the note as a bit of constructive criticism.

What about your science report? Is it pretty awful? Just use a modern-looking font (like Agency) to fool someone into believing it's solid research:

Gravity is caused by magic kangaroos that live in the Earth's core. They have black holes in their pouches.

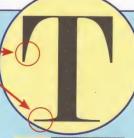
Okay, it won't fool anyone, but it might help you feel smart.

What are these little extra lines? -

They're called serifs. Many fonts use serifs, which help you read large blocks of text by subtly directing your eyes across each line of

Before printing presses, books were handcopied by scribes, who used brushes. When a scribe completed a stroke in a letter-say. the vertical line in the letter T-he or she didn't

words. But that's not why serifs were invented.



Fonts that lon't use serifs

just stop the brush, since that could have left the letter looking sloppy. So the scribe finished up with a small sideways stroke (or two) that tapered off to a point. That made things look neater.

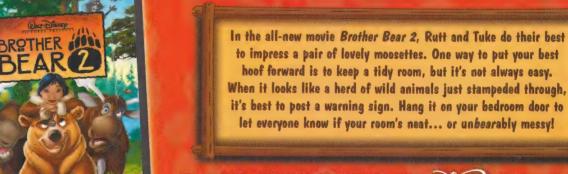
After the invention of the printing press around 1440, letter-shaped pieces of metal were used to imprint ink onto paper. The people who designed the metal letters imitated the old styles and used serifs.

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more I FONT to TELL YOU ...

Fonts can remind you of a time period or have other strong associations. For example, if you're a cartoonist making a comic about a robot named Voltor, you probably wouldn't have him speak in this font, Baroque Text:

That font is usually used in situations that have to do with old-time stuff, since it's in a style associated with the 17th century, when there weren't many robots.

Sir Edwin's speech seems more suited to Baroque Text:

I am Sir Edwin of Hent! Fear my rapier and elegant mustache!

You would probably want to make Voltor's words look like this:

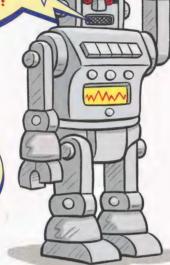
I am Voltor 6.04.

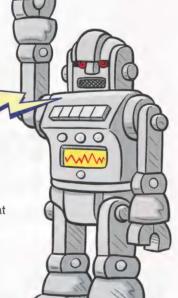
Despite my awesome power, I can't grow a mustache.

That font, called Unda Bitmap, looks more digital, more machine-made. It's closer to what you'd imagine in a robot's word balloon.

So fonts can help you communicate something in addition to what is written—like a feeling, an attitude, or a time period. If you use fonts wisely, people who read what you've written will be impressed.

I am Poltor 6.04.
Fear my 20 megahertz
processing power!







Where do names for fonts come from?

Fonts, like the ones you have probably noticed in word-

processing programs, are named in several ways. Sometimes they are named after the font's original designer (such as **Baskerville**, created by John Baskerville in the 1700s). Often they are given a name strongly associated with the font. For example, the font **Times New Roman** was created for the newspaper the *London Times* in 1932. Or they can be given a descriptive name by their designer, like **Attic Antique**, which appears a little old, as if it has been stored in an attic.

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As your child has surely told you, you are booked to perform this Friday at the Parents' Gymnastic **Exhibition and Flügelhorn Jamboree!**

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I'm not giving you a fortune, because you just tore open my

Sorry, this fortune was for the person to your right. ©

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Ask if he or she is ready for the big show on Friday night.

Fill in your address and hide this offer in your mail. Make sure you point it out to someone and tell him or her you're excited about this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity!



RESIDENT

▼ Post this sign-in sheet on your bedroom door. ▼

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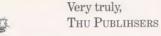
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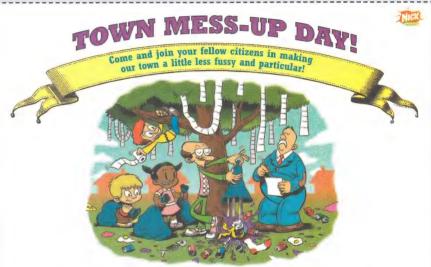
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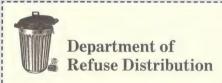
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Permit (me to say how nice you look today) #23

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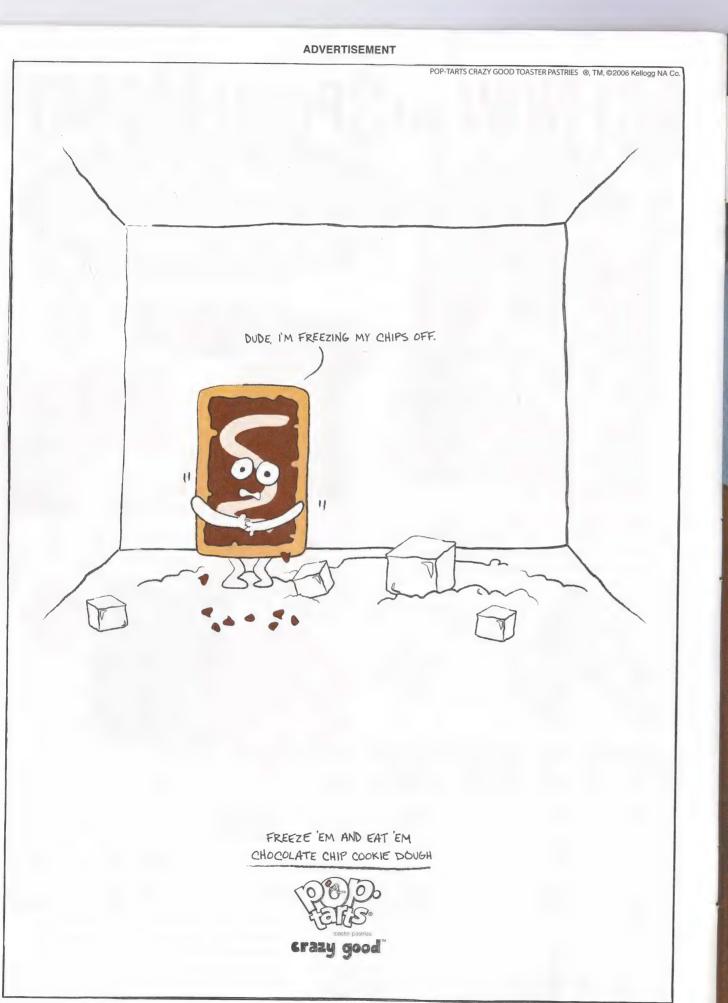
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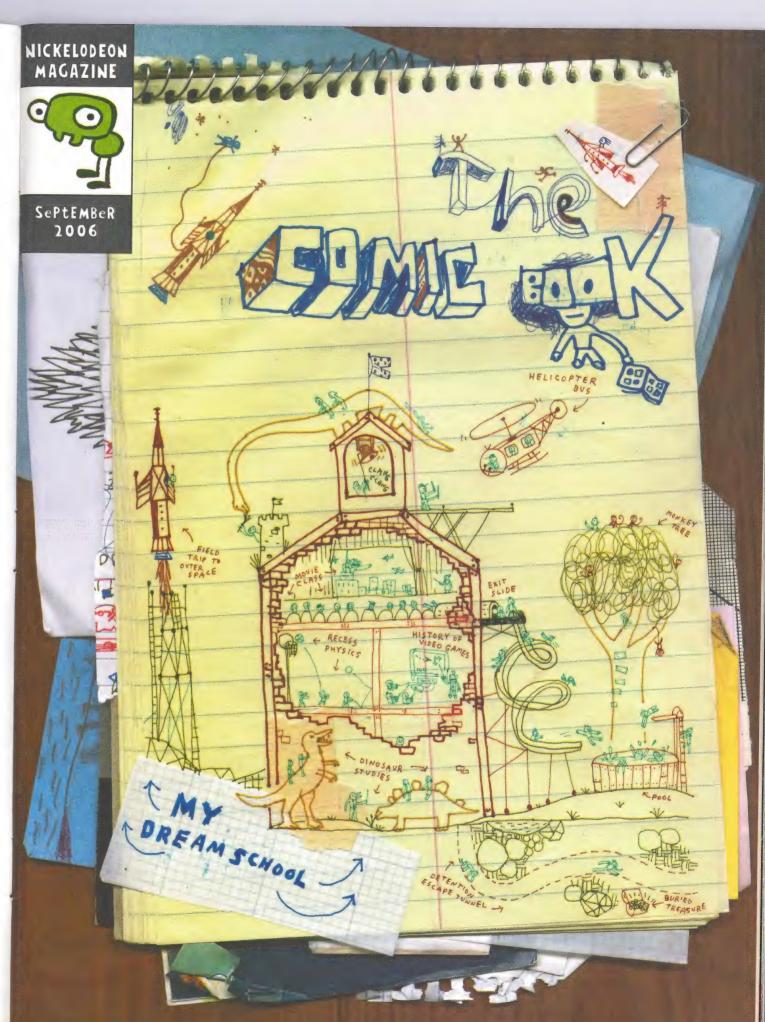
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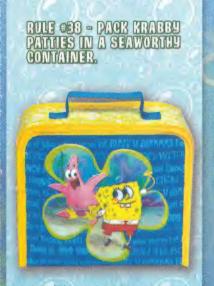
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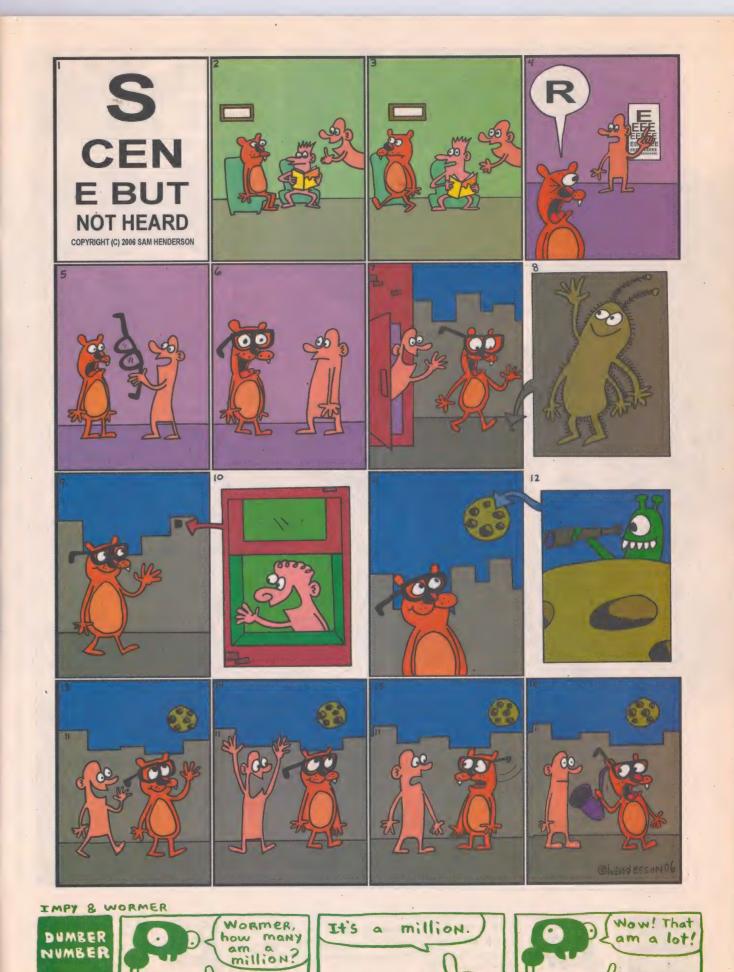
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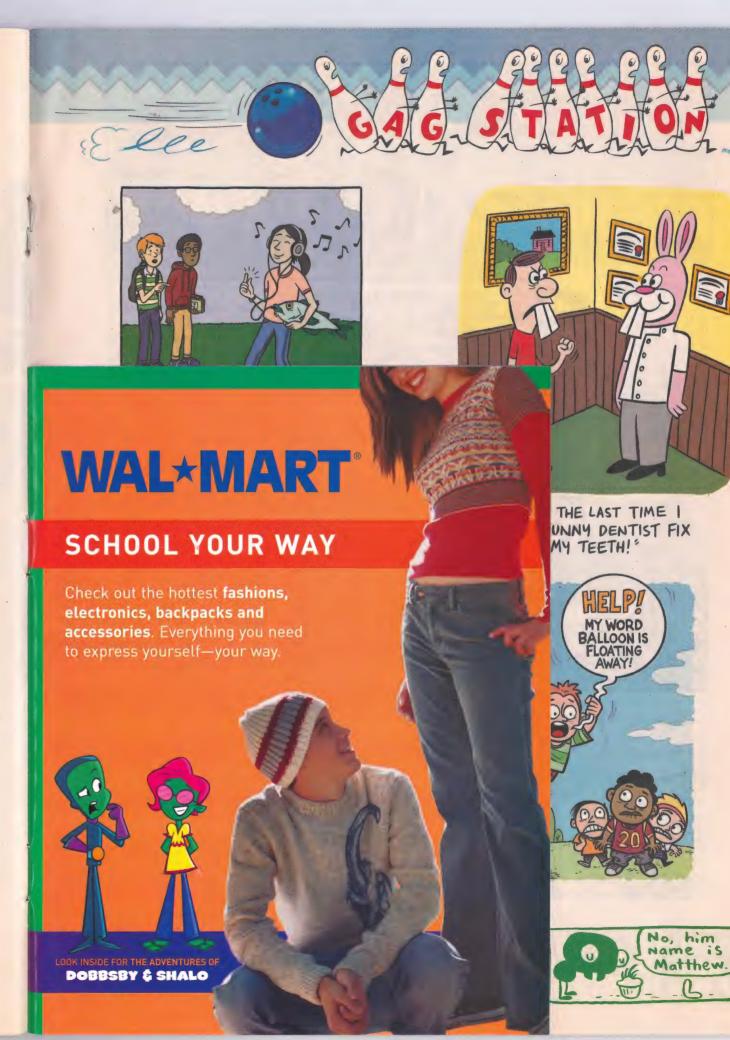


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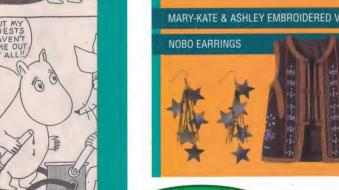




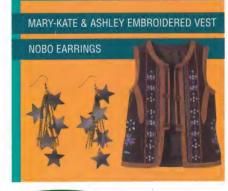




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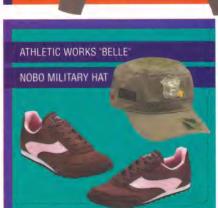
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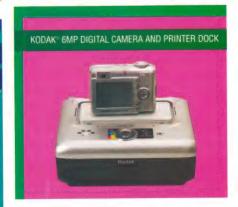
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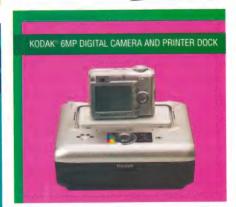
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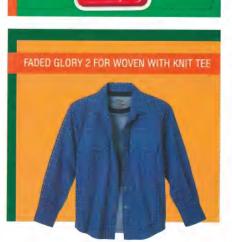


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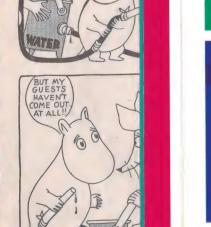
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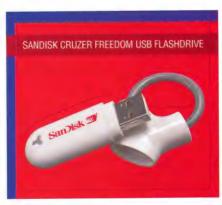




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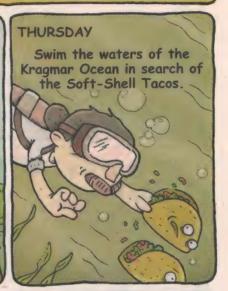
















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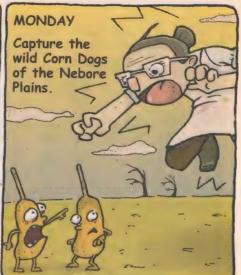
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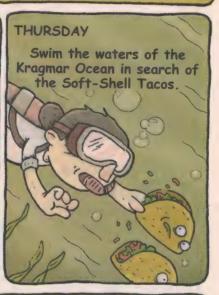












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4. Chew the piece slowly and swallow. Then, repeat steps 2 through 4. At any point, you may say "Mmmmm..." or "This is so good" or "This will go straight to my thighs."



PROBLEM: I can't taste my doughnut.
SOLUTION: Make sure the doughnut is in your mouth and not in your ear or belly button.

PROBLEM: I can't find my doughnut.
SOLUTION: You most likely ate it already. To be sure, check for bits of sugar on your fingers. For maximum doughnut enjoyment, feel free to lick them.

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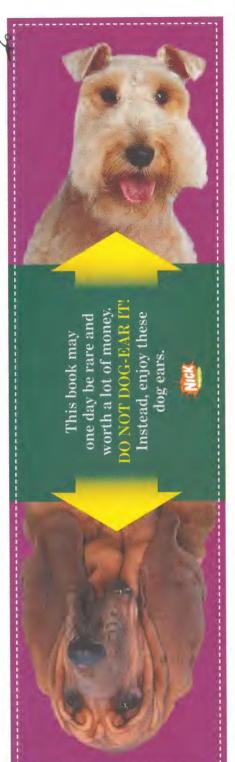
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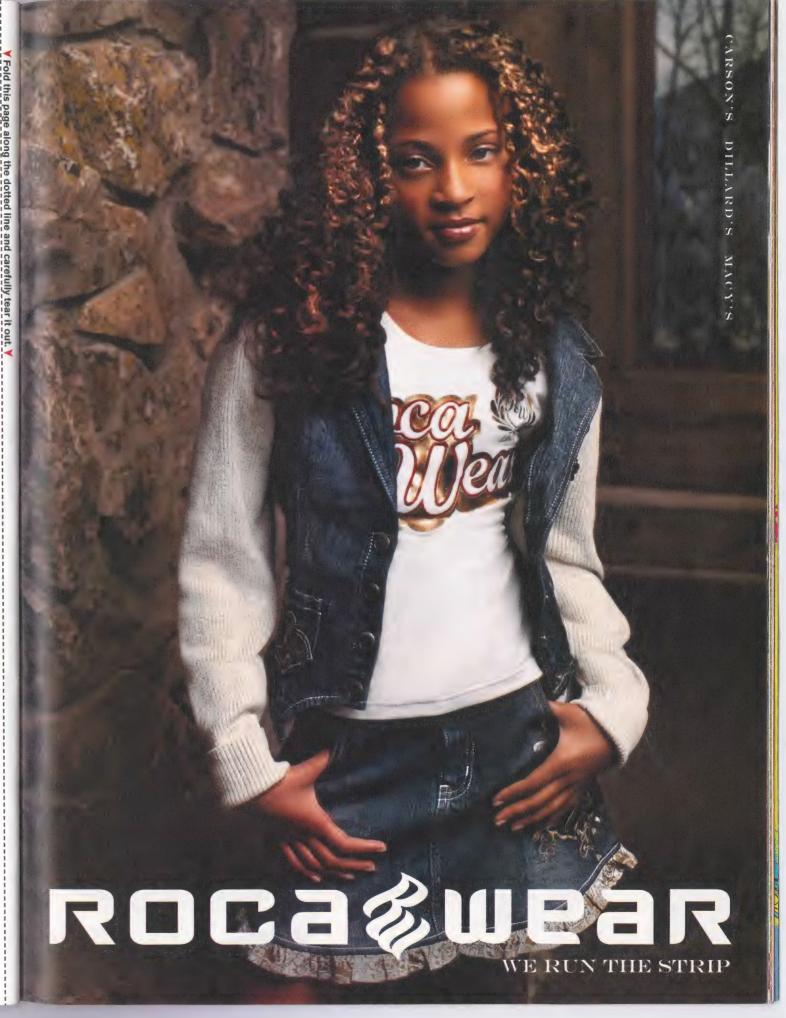
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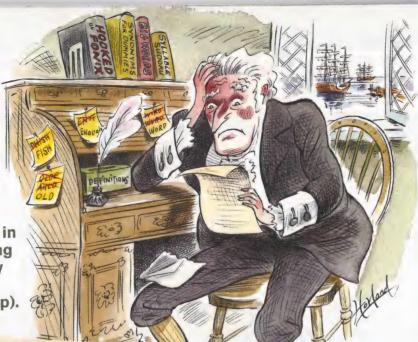






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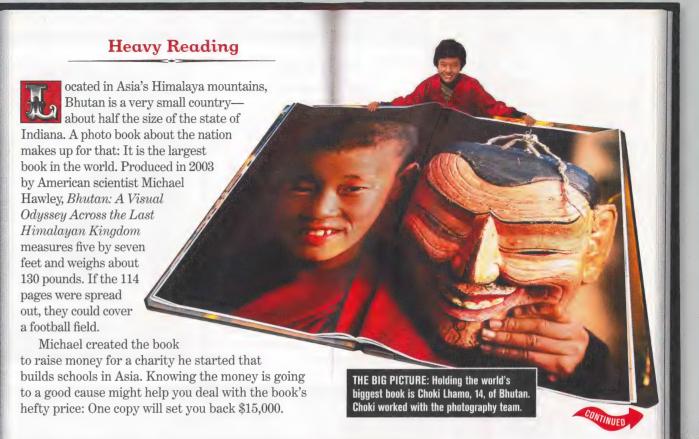
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Read the Fine Print

he "book" that Massachusetts Institute of Technology professor Pawan Sinha created five years ago doesn't look like a book at all. It's a silicon tile small enough to fit on a pencil eraser. But it contains the complete text of the Bible's New Testament—all 180,568 words. Each letter is etched in gold and is the height of a single red blood cell. Pawan and two coworkers used microchip technology to produce the book, which Guinness World Records says is the smallest reproduction of a book in the world. To read it, you need a microscope. Or really, really good eyes.

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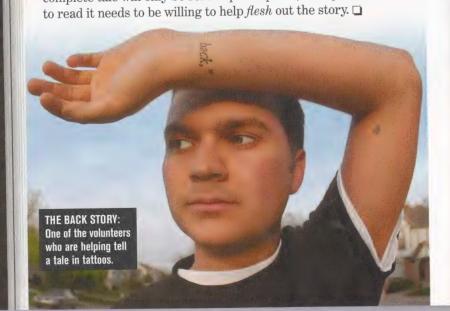
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Connecticut is a manuscript that may be the most mysterious book in the world. The illustrated volume, known as the Voynich Manuscript, is written in an unknown language, using an alphabet that exists nowhere else. Historians believe the book was written in Europe between 1450 and 1520, but no one can decipher the language. It could be a complicated code—or perhaps just nonsense. The mystery remains unsolved.



You Can Read These People Like a Book

uthor Shelley Jackson recently wrote a story that is guaranteed to have a very small audience. The tale is called "Skin," and that's also where it will be published: 2,095 people will each have one word from a 2,095-word story tattooed on their body. Since Shelley announced the project three years ago, more than 10,000 people have offered themselves as "pages." So far, more than 1,300 have been assigned a word. The complete tale will only be sent to participants, so anyone who wants



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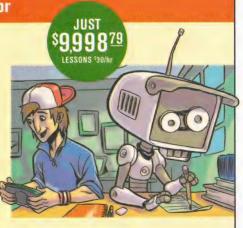
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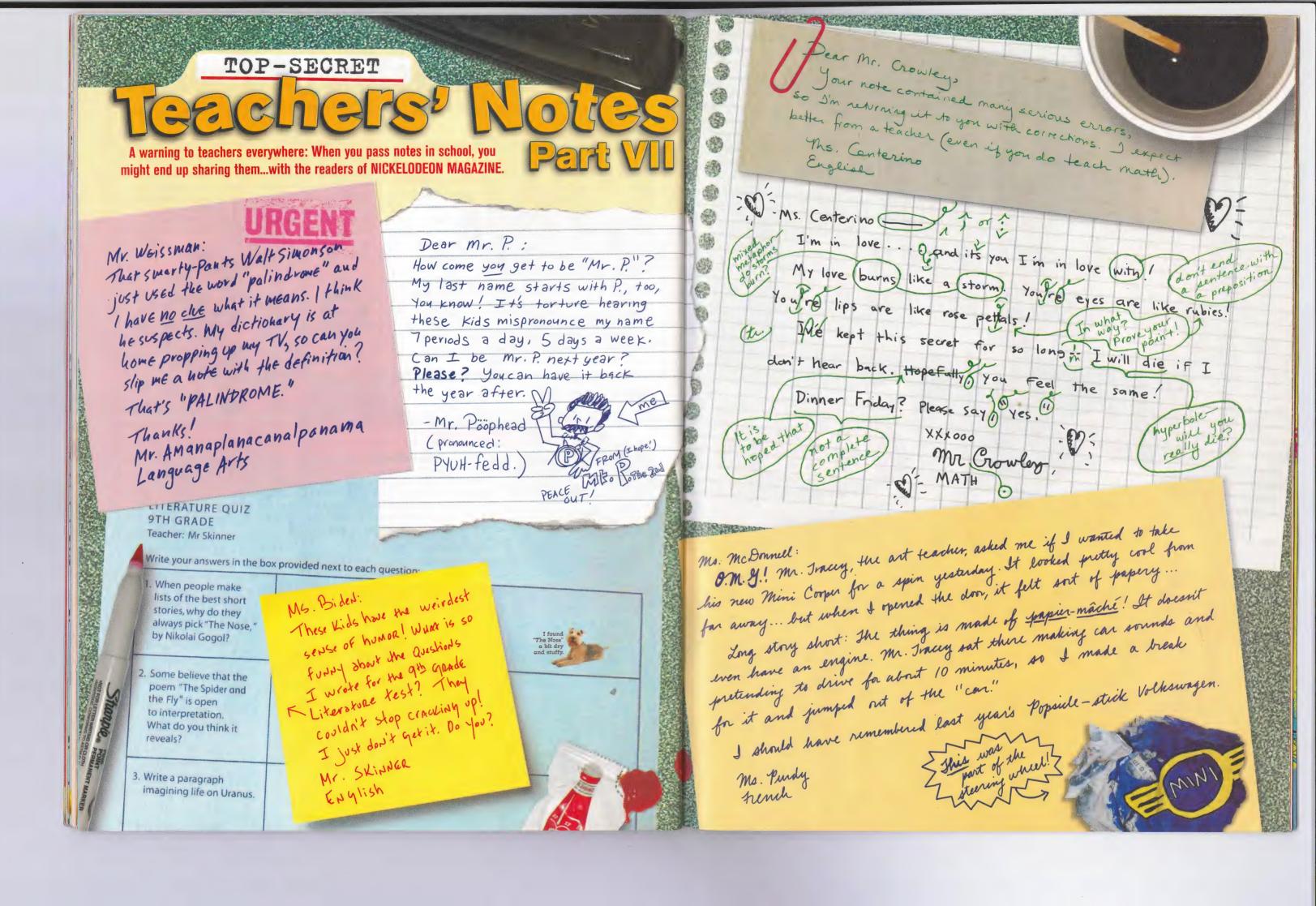
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James Cash Penney, founder of J.C. Penney Co., born, 1875 We bet his parents were Penney pinchers. Adam Sandler, actor, born, 1966 Click into high gear. The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in Cleveland, Ohio, opens, 1995 Hello, Cleveland! Long Beach Island Chowder Cook-Off in Beach Haven, New Jersey, begins The winner will be as happy as a clam. 91 Awesome!!!!!!!! Ohio Swiss Festival in Sugarcreek, Ohio, begins It sounds kind of cheesy. The Wizard of Oz Festival in Chesterton, Indiana, begins If we only had a brain, we'd attend. Friday Elephant Appreciation Day Celebrate from dawn till tusk. International Enthe Week begins 29 22 15 00 About 75 percent of all the pears produced in the U.S. are Bartlett pears. NFL Monday Night
Football premieres, 1970
People huddled
around their TVs
to watch. 14 Pear #3 tronics engineer and cofounder of Hewlett-Packard, born, 1912

He was his mother's first laptop. 21 27 Pear *5 Pear Particular #1 Pears are one of the world's oldest fruits. They have been cultivated for about 4,000 years. Roald Dahl, author of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, born, 1916
Happy birthday, The pear tree is a member of the rose family. Wednesday Ferdinand "Jelly Roll" Morton, jazz pianist, born, 1885 Was he good at jamming? 13 20 Christina Milian, singer and actress, born, 1981 She has fans in the Milians. Caves containing prehistoric wall paintings are discovered at Lascaux, France, 1940
A picture is worth a thousand grunts. Jesse James, outlaw, born, 1847 Stick up for somebody. 12 18 Pear #4 A pear tree can produce fruit for up to 100 years. Catherine Zeta-Jones, actress, born, 1969
She's upwardly
T-Mobile. Monday Real Beyoncé Know singer and actress, born, 1981
Check on it if you don't believe us. 25 10 Pear #2 National Punctuation Day Celebrate. Period. There are more than 5,000 varieties of pears, including Anjou, Bartlett, Bosc, Comice, Forelle, and Seckel. National Clean Hands Week It's good, clean fun. Scandinavian Fest in Edison, New Jersey How Swede it is. 9

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you think of your

How are you like Otis?

I was born with a full

udder. [laughs]

Well, we both have an udder.

character, Otis?

KEVIN JAMES: He

has a good heart and

just wants to have a good

time. Maybe sometimes it's

too much of a good time, but I don't

think he means any harm to anybody.

MAGAZINE: What do

FUNNY FARM

From singing and dancing to taking nighttime joyrides in the neighbor's car, the animals in Nick's new movie, *Barnyard*, are all about having a good time. Kevin James, who plays Doug on The King of Queens, stars in Barnyard as the voice of Otis the cow. We milked him for some answers about his role.



CRAZY FOR DAISY: Daisy (voiced by Courteney Cox) and Otis (voiced by Kevin James) chat in the barn.



You were born for this role. What's your favorite line that Otis says in the movie?

"Yowee yow ha wow!" I do a lot of that. I do a lot of yelling incoherently in this movie. And "Woo-hoo!" I do that, too.

Was it hard to perfect lines like those?

Steve [Oedekerk, the director,] had me do a whole bunch of different noises. Half the time I think he was just rolling and laughing, not even using the stuff in the film. He would just make me suffer.

Do you have a new appreciation for farm animals?

I've always had a great appreciation for farm animals. If I'm not eating them, I certainly enjoy looking at them. And I had no idea that barnyard animals could stand and talk! So this movie was very informative for me.

I could have told you that.

Are you bull-like about anything?

I am. It's funny, I'm a Taurus. So, yeah, I can be stubborn.

Would you rather be a farm animal or a farmer?

I would rather be a farm animal, for no other reason than the fact that farm animals get to "go" where they stand. That's a neat little thing.

Do you like the sound of cowbells?

I don't, but that's me. If I were a cow, I wouldn't wear a bell. I would go with something a little different: a horn. A cow horn. □

MOOvingCharacters

MOUSE IN THE HOUSE:

In real life, Kevin says he has some friends who are like his movie sidekick, Pip (just not as small). "They have a go-for-it attitude and are kind of pushy and hyper," he says. "But they're not entirely like Pip. I wish I could have friends whom I could literally pick up and put in my pocket and then go somewhere with."

Jeff Garcia voices Pip the mouse (and also does the voice of Sheen on Jimmy Neutron: Boy Genius). In real life, Jeff thinks he's more like a bear than a mouse. "I'm lazy," he says. "I want to go get food and then rest all winter."

FOUL HOWL: In the movie,
Dag the coyote bullies and intimidates the barnyard animals.
But Kevin says, "I'm sure
there are very sweet coyotes out there
who just want a mellow life."

HE LIKES CHICKS: Although
Kevin plays a cow, he believes he has
more in common with a chick. He says,
"I've got to be honest. I'm like Maddy—
I'm fuzzy and round."

WINGWOMAN: Etta the hen is voiced by actress Andie MacDowell. We asked her if she did any poultry research before she recorded her part. "No," said Andie. "I winged it!"

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What's New on Nick

Ferris Bueller's Day Off Friday, September 8, at 8 PM Ferris Bueller is sick—of school, that is. When he and his pals Cameron and Sloane decide to play hooky for a day and hit the big city of Chicago, they have

no idea that their principal is onto them. Will they get caught? Find out in Nick's premiere of the movie Ferris Bueller's Day Off.



Catch new episodes of Kappa Mikey (left)

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New Season of TEENick Check out new seasons of the following TEENick shows this fall.

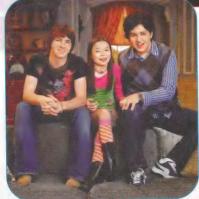
Saturday, September 23 8 PM Ned's Declassified School

Survival Guide

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The Let's Just Play Go Healthy Challenge is following four kids on TV and online until the end of September. Chris, the Challenge's "Activist." is working to bring healthier food options to the stores in his San Francisco, California, neighborhood, Lynda Jones talked to some other activists who have made changes in their schools and communities.

FAISAL SALAH, age 18

From: Marina del Rey, California

Project: In 2003, Faisal was a founding member of www.nojunk-

food.org at Venice High School in California. The group was successful in getting the junk food and soda machines removed from the school.

Biggest accomplishment: "Getting the junk food out of Venice High School—it's a big school. When the trucks came to take away the vending machines, there were hugs, claps, and cheers."

Biggest challenges: "Convincing my peers and my teachers."

Biggest lessons: "If you quit, nothing will be accomplished. And always ask for more than you want."

age 16

From: Worcester. Massachusetts Project: Set up a Let's Just Play Day at her school with activities such as baseball, basketball, dancing, football, and yoga.

How she got the message out: "We put up flyers at schools, on

light poles, and at the Boys and Girls Club."

Biggest challenges: Getting kids to come, figuring out the right activities, and making sure there was enough staff.

Biggest lesson: "Make sure people have fun, and never give up."

TAYLOR CLARK, age 16

From: Morehead, Kentucky Project: Get Fit With Taylor. "I work with girls who are eight to twelve. We'll play tag, basketball, or soccer, or jump rope." Before starting Get Fit With Taylor, she was named the Go Girl Go SportsGirl of the Year in 2004 by the Women's Sports Foundation.

What she would like to change at her school: The food.

Biggest challenges: "Not being able to reach every child I talk to, and the cost of travel. My mom is running out of gas money!"

Biggest lessons: Be patient and be devoted to the cause.

Go to nick.com/letsjustplay to sign yourself up for the Let's Just Play Go Healthy Challenge and to get an update on Chris and the other Challengers.

Read about other kids who have done great things to improve the health of their friends, their schools, and their communities at: teens/whatyoucando



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Avatar Character

If you've ever had an idea for an Avatar: The Last Airbender character, now is your chance to see it in an Avatar

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Here's how to enter:

Come up with a character who has a special skill, Your character does not have to be a bender, and the skill can be amazing, funny, silly, or even useless.

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In the Avatar special event "Secret of the Fire Nation," Aang and his friends uncover new information about the Fire Nation and how to get into the legendary city of Ba Sing Se. This special airs on Friday, September 15, at 8 PM.

O other:



Personality (check all that apply):

O absentminded O happy

Oscheming O confused

O silly O smart

O good O evil

O a little bit good, a little bit evil O stubborn

Appearance:

O angry

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His or her special skill:

Animal sidekick (optional):

Use another sheet of paper to draw your character and to tell us anything else we should know about him or her.

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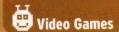
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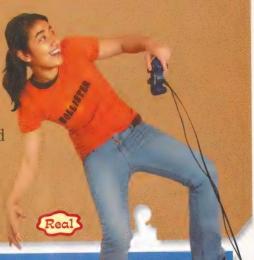
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Give Your Thumbs a Rest

Are rainy days ruining your baseball games, bike riding, and skateboarding? You could make some of your sports video games feel more like the real thing with these new game controllers coming in September for PS2, Xbox, and PC.





Amro Albanna, the founder of Qmotions, a company that makes game controllers, told us why he's bringing the outdoors indoors with new controllers for baseball, racing, and boarding games.

NICKELODEON MAGAZINE: What inspired you to come up with new game controllers?

AMRO ALBANNA: A regular controller doesn't give you the same experience as playing your favorite sport. When I started playing video game golf, I wanted to make it more like the physical experience I get out of playing sports. And that was the start of the whole thing.

Did creating these controllers change how you see video games?

Oh, absolutely. Now every time I play a video game, I wonder how you could play it in a more active way.

How are your thumbs?

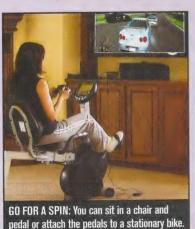
Oh, they're great! I don't use them much. [laughs]

QMOTIONS-FUNFITNESS

What is it? Bicycle pedals that you push to determine your speed in racing games, such as Gran Turismo and NASCAR games. You use a handheld controller to steer.

How hard do you have to pedal the FunFitness to get your car to go fast? "You don't have to pedal 200 miles an hour to go 200 miles an hour," says Amro. "You can reach 100 percent speed in the game with just a fair

amount of effort."



QMOTIONS-XBOARD

What is it? A board-shaped platform that you stand on. Lean left, right, forward, and back to control your direction

and speed in skateboarding, snowboarding, and surfing games, such as SSX and Tony Hawk games. You still use a handheld controller to perform tricks.

Can an XBoard improve your skateboarding ability in real life?

"Yes. It develops and improves your balance and works core muscles that are essential to sports like skateboarding and snowboarding," says Amro.

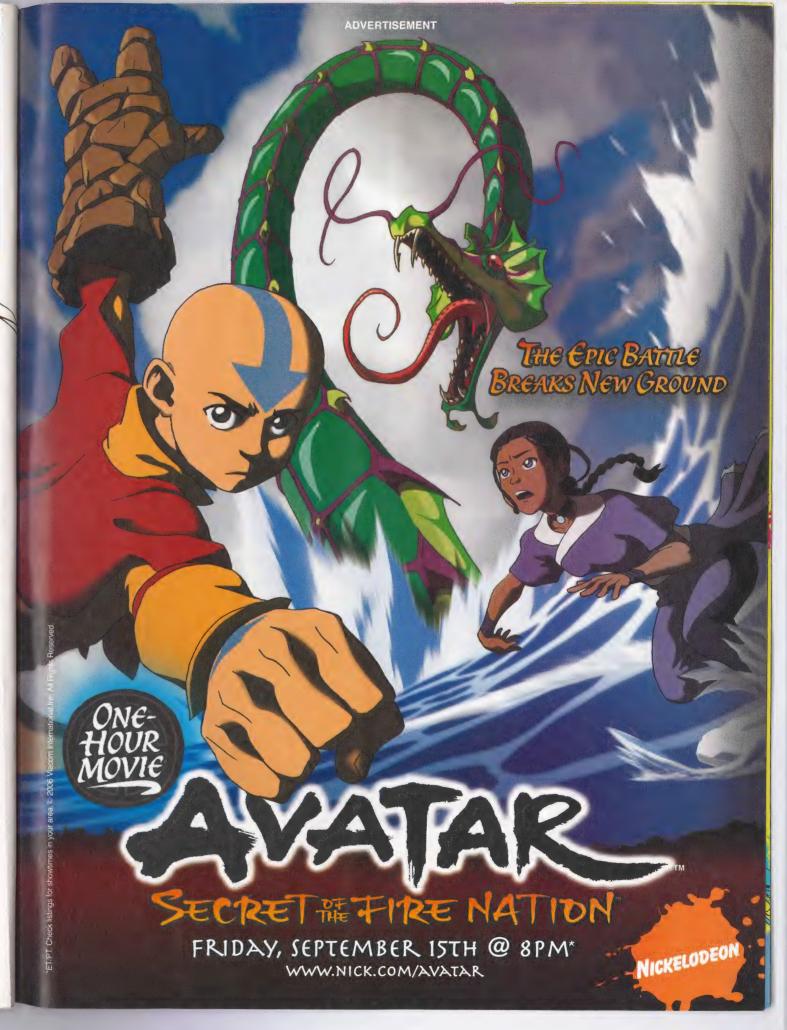
QMOTIONS-BASEBALL

What is it? A wireless, foam baseball bat and a home plate. The bat transmits the speed and direction of your swing to a baseball video game, such as the MVP Baseball and Major League Baseball games.

Can you slide into the home plate for effect?

"You could," says Amro, "however, there are four buttons on the home plate that you just press with your foot for movements like sliding and stealing."





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Greek:

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α-PAW poo fev yee taw LEH-o-four-ee yoh ee-YAH taw fen-GAH ree?



Swedish:

My feet smell like bananas.

Mina fötter luktar som bananer.

MEE-nah FER-tur LOOK-tar sum ba-NAH-ner.

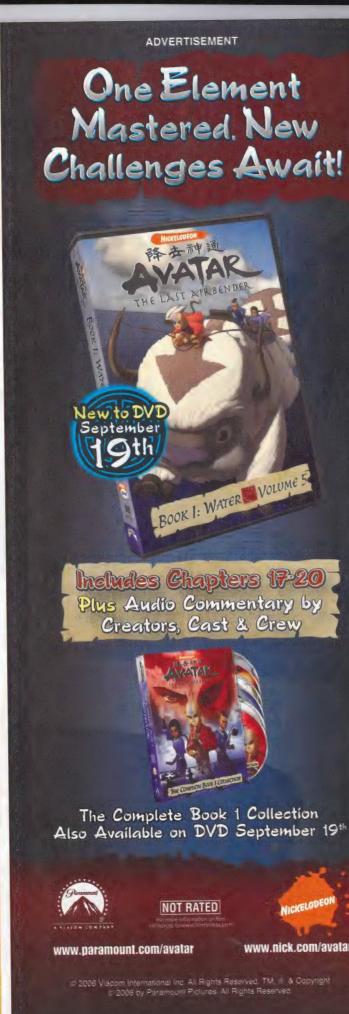
Mmm, I wonder what your shoes taste like.



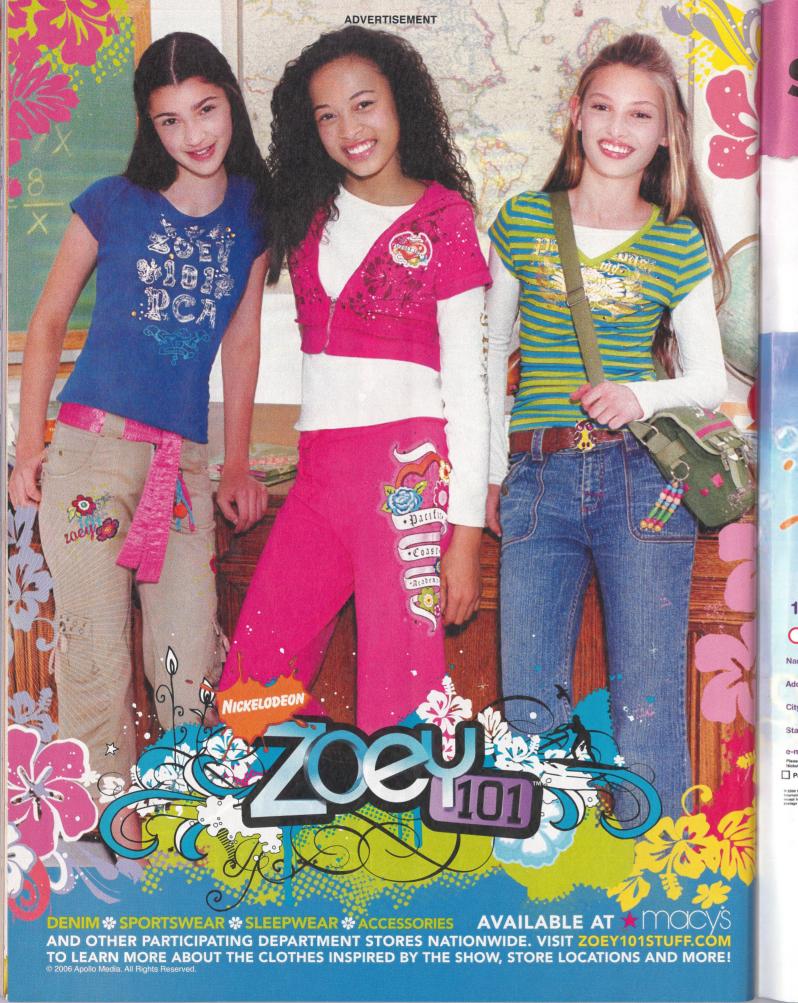
Japanese:

l like to dip my nose in melted chocolate. とけたチョコにはなをつけるのがすき。 TOE-kay-tah CHO-ko-NEE HA-na-o SKERoo-NO-gah sue-KEY.

*The Greek question mark looks like an English semicolon.









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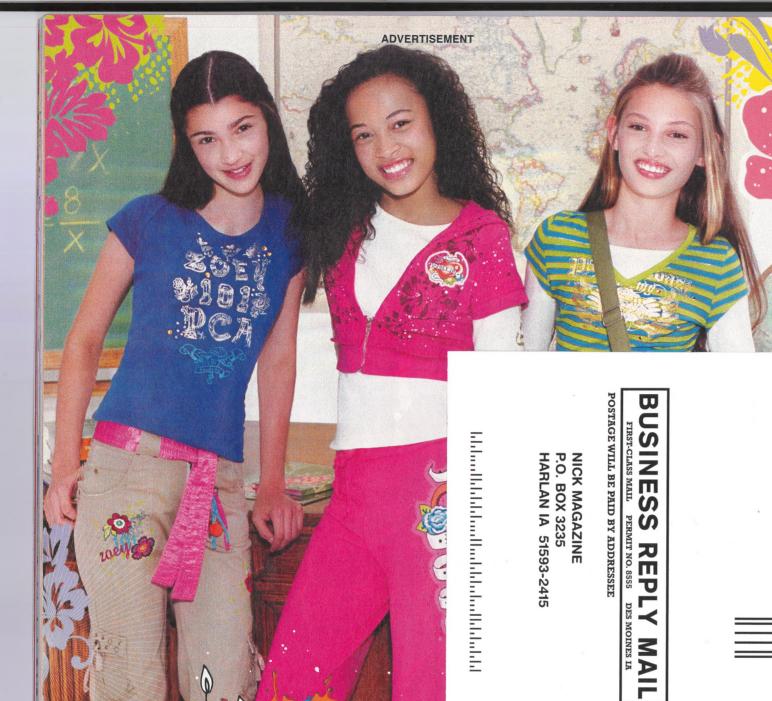
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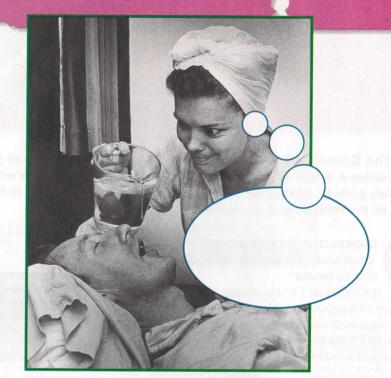




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Woman thinking: Introducing: the liquid alarm clock!* Katie G., age 12

Monroe, Michigan

Woman thinking: Do you still think my eyes look crazy? Zachariah P., age 10 Venice, Florida

Woman thinking: This "Make your husband look like Brad Pitt!" potion had better work. I paid two dollars for it!

Emily K., age 11 Campbell, New York

Woman thinking: Three-day-old toilet water always cures snoring.* Nicholas H., age 11 Davie, Florida

Woman thinking: Every guy wants breakfast in bed. Adriana L., age 10

Brighton, Colorado

Woman thinking: If you won't take a bath, I'll clean you from the inside out!

Anh N., age 10 West Covina, California

Woman thinking: I've collected your drool and spit for quite some time now, and, honey, it's going back in!* Jessica M., age 16 Los Angeles, California

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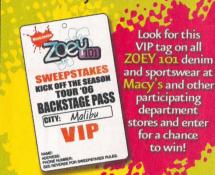
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About the Game: LEGO Star Wars II takes you through the story of Star Wars episodes 4, 5, and 6. You can play as any character you want or mix and match body parts to create your own unique character. You also get to build and ride all the vehicles and creatures.



NICKELODEON MAGAZINE: What kind of character do you

ILKAY CAN: I like to create a character with any combination of Princess

Leia. She was my favorite in the original trilogy. In fact, I always thought she needed a lightsaber, and now I can give her one!



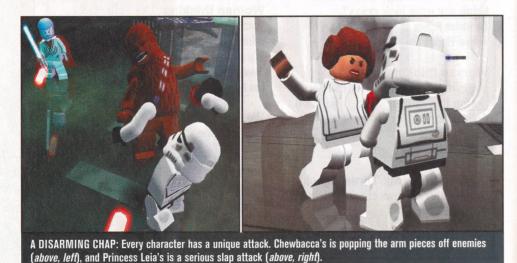
LEIA EYES ON THIS: Slavegirl Yoda, made with Yoda's head and Princess Leia's body, is one of millions of characters you can create.



NICKELODEON MAGAZINE: What vehicle is your favorite to ride in? **DAVID PERKINSON:** I love cruising around Mos Eisley spaceport in the

landspeeder. You can use it to solve some landspeederspecific puzzles or just drive it around. You can even get it washed and then sell it to a Jawa—he'll give you more for it if it's clean.

HIT THE BRICKS: "The people of Mos Eisley don't mind you knock them over a time or two," says David.



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Face to Face (page 10): The teenager in the picture is Vince Vaughn.

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